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FM AMEMBASSY COTONOU

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8527

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E.OM 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, DM

SUBJ: 1976 INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT INFORMATION MANUAL

RES COTONOU 316,

1. EMBASSY RECENTLY RECEIVED COPY OF 1976 FAA INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT INFORMATION MANUAL, WITH NUMEROUS CHANGES AND OMISSIONS IN THE BENIN SECTION FROM THE 1975 EDITION. EMBASSY HAD PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH DIRECTOR OF CIVIL AVIATION ADOLPHE LAWSON, THAT 1975 INFORMATION REMAINED ACCURATE (REFTEL). WE HAVE CHECKED AGAIN WITH LAWSON, AND HE HAS CONFIRMED THAT THE 1975 VERSION IS THE MORE ACCURATE. LIST OF DESIRED CORRECTIONS FOLLOWS.

2. (A) AUTHORIZATION FOR OVERFLIGHT/LANDING BY OFFICIAL FLIGHTS MUST BE OBTAINED FROM MIN OF INTERIOR AND SECURITY THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS AT LEAST 10 DAYS PRIOR TO PROPOSED FLIGHT.

(B) POSTAL ADDRESS FOR DIRECTION OF CIVIL AVIATION IS MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, BP 305, COTONOU, BENIN.

(C) REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATIONS FOR OFFICIAL FLIGHTS PUBLISHED IN 1975 MANUAL REMAINS IN EFFECT.

(D) ALL FLIGHTS MUST OBSERVE INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC RULES  
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WHILE OVER BENINESE TERRITORY.

(E) FLIGHT BELOW 500 METERS ALTITUDE IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT  
DURING TAKE-OFF AND LANDING.

(F) WITHOUT EXPRESS CONSENT FROM THE BENINESE GOVT, NO  
AUTHORIZATION WILL BE GRANTED TO AIRCRAFT CARRYING AERIAL  
PHOTOGRAPHY EQUIPMENT OR TO ARMED AIRCRAFT.

3. WE SUGGEST THAT IN ORDER TO AVOID CONFUSION, ALL REFERENCES  
TO "DAHOMY" AND "DAHOMYAN" BE CHANGED TO "BENIN" OR "BENINESE".  
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